



**SCHOOL EMPLOYER ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

**May 7, 2008  
09:30 to 12:00 noon  
CalPERS  
Sacramento**

**MINUTES**

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## **INTRODUCTION**

SalliAnne Maliguine, Assistant Division Chief of the Employer Services Division, welcomed everyone.

## **LEGISLATION UPDATE**

[Sponsored Bills \(PDF, 14 KB\)](#)

[Other Bills \(PDF, 70 KB\)](#)

Danny Brown, Assistant Chief, Governmental Affairs, provided an update on this topic. He reported that the Legislature has until the end of this month to pass bills out of the house of origin. Some bills of interest include:

- AB 2202 – CalPERS Minor Policy Bill: A committee member asked if a form letter could be provided to school employers in support of AB 2202.

*Note: This bill has passed out of the Assembly and has been set for the Senate Judiciary Committee on Tuesday, June 24<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. Support letters need to be mailed as soon as possible, as the opposition will be doing the same.*

[AB 2202 – Support Letter for Schools \(DOC, 27 KB\)](#)

[AB 2202 – Mailing Address Labels \(DOC, 27 KB\)](#)

- AB 2838 – Service Credit Purchases for Approved Absences Caused by Serious Illness: This bill has passed out of Assembly and will be heard by the Senate in June 2008.

## **WORKING AFTER RETIREMENT**

[Sample Letter about Temporary Employment of CalPERS Retired Members \(PDF, 174 KB\)](#)

[Circular Letter 200-181-04 – Employment After Retirement with a CalPERS-Covered Employer \(PDF, 210 KB\)](#)

[Regulatory Action by CalPERS – Adoption of Title 2, Sections 586 through 586.2 \(PDF, 171 KB\)](#)

[Copy of GCS 21221 \(PDF, 143 KB\)](#)

[Sample Language for Resolution Requesting Employment Extension Per GCS 21221\(h\) \(PDF, 65 KB\)](#)

[Copy of GCS 21229 \(PDF, 58 KB\)](#)

Liz Burke, Retirement Program Specialist II, Benefit Services Division, Retirement Support Unit, distributed handouts and provided an overview of this agenda item.

**UPDATE ON FURLOUGH**

[Circular Letter #800-133 – Preservation of Retirement Benefits for Employees of School Employers \(PDF, 210 KB\)](#)

[Copy of Bill – AB 1817 \(PDF, 197 KB\)](#)

Gwen Bridges, Retirement Program Specialist II, Employer Services Division, reported that AB 1817 was repealed January 1, 1996. School employers would need to initiate new legislation.

**PSR FOLLOW UP**

[New Online CalPERS Business System \(PPT, 533 KB\)](#)

Peter Ahlstrom, Manager, Constituent Relations Office, Public Employer Readiness Team (PERT), reported on this topic.

Peter provided a detailed overview of the new Online CalPERS Business System.

Peter explained that there will be three sessions of training. Several of these training sessions will be needed given the large number of employers that require training. The dates of the sessions have changed. Please refer to the Employer Information Packet to be mailed in late June for more accurate information.

- 1) June – July 2008: First session will be a two-hour web based session.
- 2) September – November 2008: Second session will be a two-hour web based session.
- 3) May – October 2009: Third session will be a web conference seminar supplemented by computer-based training.

Several questions were asked by committee members:

- 1) Would more than one point of contact be allowed? The County Office of Education has school districts within that will need to have individual contacts for each. Peter replied that PERT has contacted every County Office of

Education and asked them to identify every district in the County that report through the County, and independently of the County. Those districts that are independent will be contacted to discuss the same information. Most organizations will have only one contact.

- 2) Can employers send files for multiple districts in one file? Response to be provided at next SEAC Meeting.
- 3) Is there a process to separate responsibilities between health and retirement systems? Response to be provided at next SEAC Meeting.
- 4) Is there a way to get a list of districts that contract only for health? Yes, please contact the Employer Contact Center at **888 CalPERS** (or **888-225-7377**).
- 5) If a school employer cannot attend the Educational Forum in October, will there be a demo available? This can be done at a future SEAC Meeting after the forum.
- 6) If a reporting method is chosen and the employer wants to change this method at a later date, is it possible? Yes, employers can subsequently change their reporting methods. SalliAnne Maliguine stated that CalPERS will be recommending reporting method options depending on the size of the agency.
- 7) Can validation of data be done on a "fast track" like STRS? To be determined.

### **OPEN DISCUSSION**

PSR: SalliAnne Maliguine reported additional PSR information to the SEAC:

- 1) The system will contain new data elements and new edits. There will be simulation testing with employers.
- 2) SalliAnne stated there will be regulatory changes post August on correcting errors in the PSR System. Employers will be responsible for correcting their own errors on the system. CalPERS staff will not be correcting these errors.
- 3) The contribution payment and report deadlines will remain the same as they are today. However, CalPERS will start charging interest for late payments.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

### **AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING**

- PSR Update
- Legislation Update

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Adjourned: 12:00 pm